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DECISION ON PETITION

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In re Application of ARJUN SINGH Serial No. 08/448,946 Filed: May 24, 1995

For: USE OF ALPHA FACTOR SEQUENCES IN YEAST

EXPRESSION SYSTEMS

This is a decision on the petition filed April 3, 1997, under 37 CFR 1.103(a) requesting that action be suspended in this application for a period of six months.

The petition states that the outcome of Interference No. 102,728 has a material bearing on the patentability of the claims in this application. A review of the record indicates that the rejections and issues of record are materially affected by the outcome of the identified interference. Therefore suspension is appropriate.

Ex parte prosecution is SUSPENDED for a period of SIX (6) MONTHS from the date of the petition. On or about October 3, 1997 the application will be taken up for further action in the normal order.

The Petition is Granted.

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